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## GPA, work schedules factor into class scheduling concerns

BY ARIEL CROCKETT  
THE COLLEGIAN

Proper planning, academic advising and a refund policy work to help save K-State students time, frustration and money when it comes to changing courses after the start of the semester.

"The university has a specifically defined refund policy. It's basically if students drop a class within a certain period of the start of the semester, they can get a full refund back," Larry Moeder, assistant vice president of student financial assistance, said.

The policy, which is designed to allow students room to adjust their schedule, offers three options. The first deadline in the semester is 21 calendar days after the first academic day of the semester. The second deadline, which is a 50 percent reimbursement, is through the 28th day of the semester.

Students who withdraw after the second deadline, however, don't receive any refund.

Moeder said though students drop classes for many reasons, it's typically done to protect their GPA.

"I dropped a class, but it wasn't late," Emily Gassmann, freshman in business administration, said. "I had too many hours and got a promotion at work so I needed more time."

Employment is also a defining factor in late enrollment or drops, Moeder said.

"Students tend to have to work more now," Moeder said. "Unfortunately, it's a lot more expensive to go to college nowadays, so students often have to get part-time jobs and that tends to interfere with their class schedule."

While it is possible to drop classes, they work to help students enroll early and plan for the coming semester to avoid issues in the future, said Bri-

ana Boger, academic advisor in business administration.

"We're definitely trying to help students get enrolled a lot sooner and help those numbers go down," Boger said. "It seems like enrollment is happening sooner and sooner, and we do that so that students make long-range plans and think about enrollment sooner. In our office, we communicate with students as early as February."

Despite encouragement from advisers to take initiative and be proactive, there are still students who find themselves in a situation where they have to make the decision of whether or not to drop a class. Boger said she would advise students against dropping a class late if it would interfere with their ability to remain a full time student which requires 12 credit hours.

Sometimes, dropping a class can be the best option, Boger said.

"I would advise a student to drop if maybe they feel they're doing really

poorly in the class and have exhausted all of their other options as far as help," Boger said.

### No drops

Some students said they are "pretty confident" in their schedules, and have been fortunate enough to not have to drop or enroll in a course after the deadlines.

"Luckily, I've never had to drop or enroll in a course after deadlines," Taylor Showalter, senior in animal science and industry, said. "I don't have any close friends who have had to do so either."

Christa McKittrick, senior in accounting, credits her academic planning success to her advisor, Boger. She has never had to drop a class after the deadline, McKittrick said.

"I have an awesome adviser," McKittrick said. "... she's done an awesome job at helping me map out my four-year plan."

## Local area crime briefs

BY JON PARTON  
THE COLLEGIAN

### Weekend DUI checkpoint stops 35 drivers

Riley County Police made four arrests for DUIs at a checkpoint set up from Friday evening to early Saturday morning. According to a March 8 RCPD press release, officers stopped 35 motorists at an undisclosed location. In addition to four people arrested for DUI, five others were charged with alcohol related offenses and two were charged for possession of a controlled substance. Police also handed out three traffic citations and 27 warnings. Additional funding for the checkpoint was provided by the Kansas Department of Transportation.

### Felony theft has no suspects

A burglary reported to the RCPD on the evening of March 6 may have taken place up to two months prior. Cynthia Artis, 57, of Manhattan reported several pieces of jewelry, worth approximately \$3,150, were stolen from her home. Police have no suspects at this time and ask anyone with information about the incident to contact them or the Manhattan Riley County Crime Stoppers at 785-539-7777 or 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

### Ogden man faces \$15,000 bond

RCPD arrested an Ogden man Wednesday on a warrant that goes back to incidents that occurred in January. Kamal Fajri, 34, of Missouri, was taken into custody Wednesday night. The offenses on the warrant were for driving with a suspended license and attempting to flee from a police officer. Fajri was placed in custody on a \$15,000 bond.

### Lawrence man arrested with two warrants

A Lawrence man wanted for allegedly driving under the influence was arrested Wednesday at the Riley County Police Department. Raul Cantu, 41, was arrested on two warrants for failing to appear. According to police reports, these warrants were brought about from charges of DUI, no driver's license and improper driving. Cantu was confined on a \$9,000 bond.

## While the cold is away the students will play



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TOP: **Hendrik Meye**, non-degree seeking student in marketing, lunges into **Loryn Wiebe**, freshman in secondary education, while they fenced in Bosco Student Plaza on Monday.

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BOTTOM CENTER: **Sean Quinn**, senior in mechanical engineering, releases a frisbee on Sunday afternoon. Many students went outside during the weekend to enjoy the weather.

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BOTTOM RIGHT: **Beth Krehbiel**, graduate student in landscape architecture, tosses a frisbee in the grass east of Bosco Student Plaza during the 70-plus degree weather Monday.



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Saturday, March 8

alcohol by a minor. Bond was listed at \$1,500.

**Corey Sean Turner**, 1300 block of Flint Hills Plaza, was booked for domestic battery and criminal damage to property. Bond was listed at \$2,000.

**Marcus Andrew Bragg**, 500 block of North 14th Street, was booked for disorderly conduct. Bond was listed at \$750.

**Tyler McKinney Merritt**, Moultrie, Ga., was booked for disorderly conduct. Bond was listed at \$750.

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## 'The Walking Dead: A House Divided' delivers incredible storytelling, more

### The Walking Dead: The Game - S2E2

★★★★★

Video Game review by Collin Weaver

Video game developer Telltale Game's adaptation of "The Walking Dead" might just be my favorite one. While I adore the comics, and enjoy the show with some reservations, the games from Telltale draw me in more than either of those.

Telltale's "The Walking Dead" universe manages to be more personal and emotional than the comics or the show, and it does this by making the player a part of the story.

Players take control of Clementine, an 11-year-old girl that was introduced in the first season. The player controls Clementine's actions and, more importantly, the decisions she has to make.

This isn't to say Clementine is a blank slate. Clementine is a fully-fleshed out, fully-realized character. Players simply guide Clementine's actions and determine how she might treat a person or certain situation.

Because Clementine is 11, she is treated differently than other players might be used to being treated in games. It feels refreshing compared to the power fantasies that games usually end up being.

Clementine is not a physically imposing person. She must utilize her small size and intelligence to survive. Yet, despite these handicaps, Clementine is extremely capable. She's one of the most resourceful and tough characters in the entirety of "The Walking Dead" universe.

Speaking of characters, "Walking Dead" has them in spades, and each one is nuanced

and thoughtfully crafted. They all have their own ideals, morals and personalities. Love 'em or hate 'em, almost no character in this game is boring.

How Clementine interacts with these characters is also handled well. Players can choose to play up the innocent little girl angle or show how much grit and resolve she has. How Clementine treats other characters is up to the player.

Just as the interactions between characters is fantastic, so is the story. An oppressive sense of dread is coupled with a feeling of rising tension keeps players on the edge of their seat the whole time. Not once did I feel comfortable playing "The Walking Dead" – a testament to the feeling this game instills.

The game also does an excellent job of building tension by giving the players a drip-feed of plot information. As players begin to piece together events and come to some sickening revelations, they start to realize they are sitting on a powder keg, and at any minute, it is going to explode.

The pacing on big twists is incredible and wickedly twisted. The game lets a predicament sit in player's head for awhile. It gives hope that there might be a way out of the situation, before lighting the fuse and forcing all of the carefully-laid plans to blow up in their faces, leaving players to clean up the mess. It's horrifying and heart-wrenching, yet always incredible.

The game play is the weakest part of "The Walking Dead." Arguably, it's irrelevant, as the main draw of "The Walking Dead" is the story. Alas, this is still a game, and a simple one at that. It's mostly a mishmash of quick-time events and walking around in confined areas examining and picking up objects. Aside from the conversation

choices and decisions players are making, "The Walking Dead" is linear, with little deviation from the path.

This might turn off some, but these moments comprise so little of the game that it is hardly worth writing off the incredible story experience for the simple game play. It can also be advantageous, as "The Walking Dead" is the perfect game for non-gamers due to its lack of hardcore mechanics.

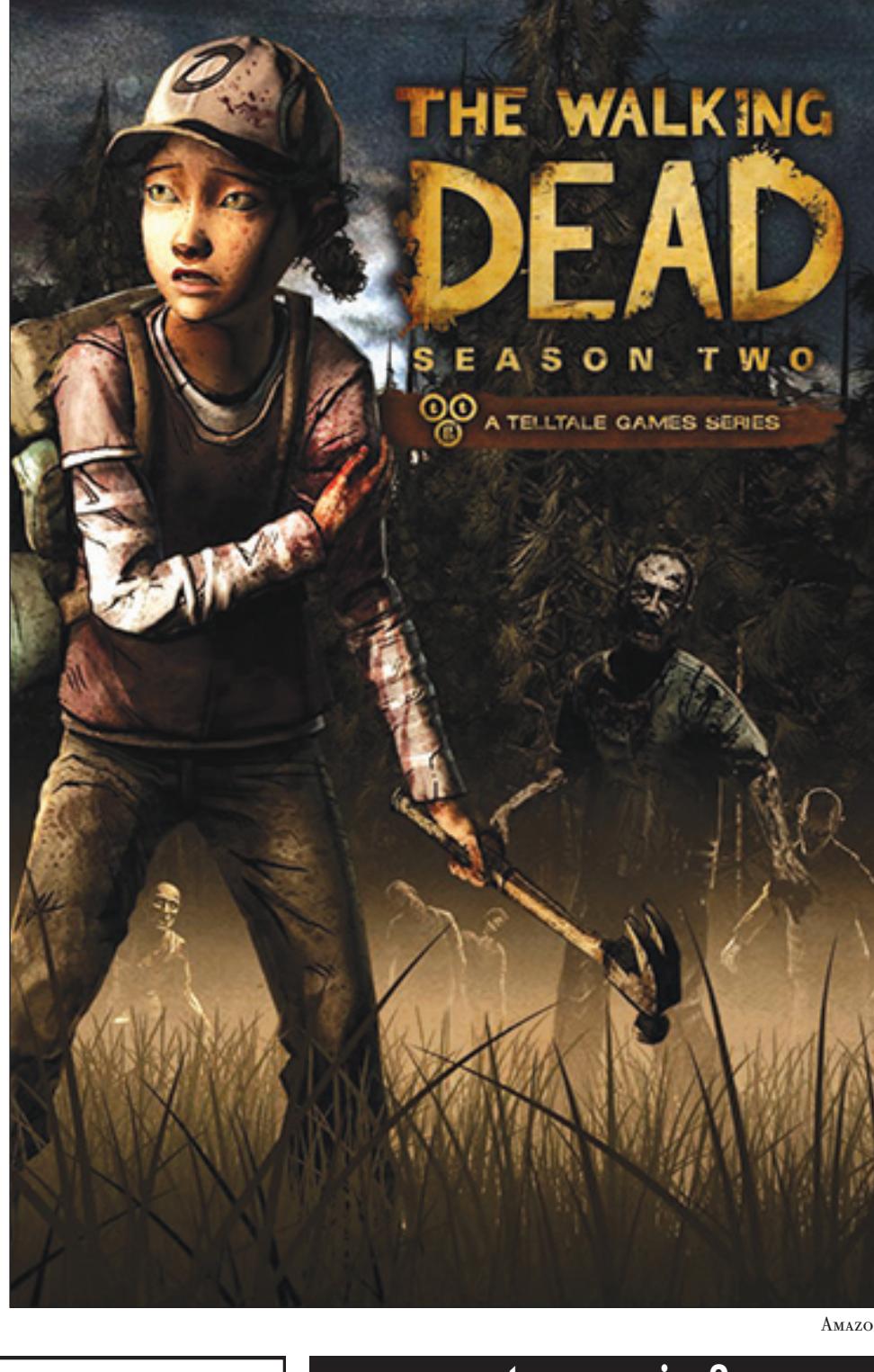
The visuals are dated, and animations are really wonky. I can sort of understand this, as Telltale is working with an old engine, but their other ongoing episodic series "The Wolf Among Us" looks pretty incredible.

The game has the neat comic-book-in-motion aesthetic that the last season of "The Walking Dead" and "The Wolf Among Us" have. It looks pretty good when the game is standing still or focusing on character's faces, but action scenes tend to look silly.

The sound effects and music are decent, but both tend to get used over and over. Voice acting, on the other hand, is incredible. It does an excellent job of working in tandem with the writing to make players deeply care about or despise the large cast of characters.

"The Walking Dead" tells an incredible story and has an interesting cast of characters that it completely outshines its simplistic gameplay and mediocre-at-best graphics. Whether or not you're a long-time reader of the comics or an avid fan of the show, Telltale's "The Walking Dead" is an experience that no one should miss.

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## Media, public misinterpreting 'no-fault' divorce bill

BY ANTHONY WILLIAMS  
THE COLLEGIAN

**K**ansas House Bill 2604, commonly referred to as the no-fault divorce bill, was introduced to the Kansas legislature on Feb. 10.

This bill has been incorrectly portrayed as removing Kansas's no-fault divorce clause. Instead, it removes Kansas's unilateral divorce law by replacing the state's incompatibility clause with eight additional reasons for divorce. The incompatibility clause stated that one member of a married couple may be granted a divorce simply by stating that the couple is no longer compatible.

One of these proposed options includes both partners agreeing to a no-fault divorce. It also removes and adjusts other parts of divorce law with the intention of clarifying and fixing parts of the law.

"Divorce is the only contract in the state of Kansas that you can just say 'I want to get out of this' and walk away from it," Republican Rep. John Bradford, the bill's author, said.

The idea of the incompatibility clause is combined with Kansas's "first to file" law, which means that the first person to file for divorce sets the temporary court order. This court order de-

termines the terms of the divorce: who gets what, when and how.

The second person can change this, but the process is more complicated than filing first. This process means that either part of a married couple can file for divorce; it is up to the other spouse to make any changes to the terms of divorce, which may add stress, Bradford said.

Bradford said that he should have added the abolition of the first to file law into the text of his bill, just to bring this issue to the public's attention.

His bill was one of a few bills being introduced into the State Legislature that were designed to build stronger family units, Bradford said.

Sandra Stith, professor of family studies and human services and program director of K-State's marriage and family therapy program, said she disagrees.

"The first thing that jumped out at me (about this bill) was a deep concern about people who are dealing with domestic violence," Stith said. "Proving that your spouse is at fault in a divorce would definitely decrease safety and increase the possibility of domestic violence and retaliation."

In the National Bureau of Economic Research Working Paper number 10175, Betsey Stevenson and Justin Wolfers examined female suicide rates following the addition of unilateral divorce

laws., which allow one party in the marriage to file for a divorce without the agreement of the other party. They state that there is a large and significant drop in the female suicide rate in the aftermath of this legislative change. There is also a drop in male suicides as well, but it is a less conclusive result.

Many who oppose Kansas House Bill 2604 said they believe that time and effort would be better served working toward other ways of preventing divorce.

"Forcing people to stay married for whatever reason is not good for the family," Brenda Jordan, criminal defense and family law attorney in Manhattan, said. "Even if children don't understand divorce, they do understand that their parents don't get along anymore."

One option would be to educate and counsel couples before they get married, Stith said.

"What I really believe we need to be doing is looking at the beginning of marriage," Stith said. "We should be educating people in high school and college to build strong relationships."

Whatever the solution, the public will have to wait a little longer. The bill has been held up in the House's judicial committee.

"The bill isn't going anywhere this year," Bradford said. "Sometimes bills are submitted just to get the discussion started on a certain topic."



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Republican Rep. John Bradford authored the "no-fault" divorce bill.

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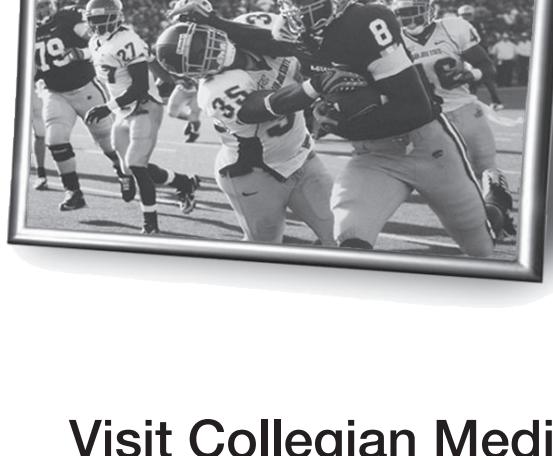
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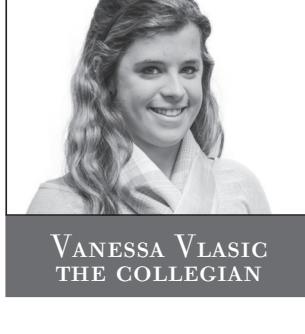


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## Eliminating 'no-fault' divorce piles on additional family stress

VANESSA VLASIC  
THE COLLEGIAN

The state of Kansas has recently introduced a bill that would eliminate "no-fault" divorces. This bill would remove incompatibility as a valid reason for getting a divorce, making it a longer, more difficult process. But is this really a good idea?

Currently, Kansas is a "no-fault" divorce state, and Republican Rep. Keith Esau, a member of the House Judiciary Committee, said he wants to change that. If a divorce is filed because the couple is simply incompatible, there currently does not need to be proof that any one person is at fault. One side of the party can file a "no-fault" divorce, even if the person's spouse does not agree on ending the marriage. This type of divorce only takes one spouse to carry it through.

Esau said he wishes to eliminate "no-fault," saying it, "gives people an easy out instead of working on the marriage." The purpose of this new bill will be to make it harder for a divorce to be finalized by making the process take longer and requiring more evidence that the marriage will not work out. It is designed to require specific, legitimate reasons for a divorce – instead of incompatibility. The bill is supposed to encourage strong families, and dissuade many couples from ending their marriage.

But will this bill do more harm than good?

Controversy and negative reactions have surrounded this bill. Other legislators, including Judiciary Committee member Democratic

and forcing a couple to prove who is at fault will just cause more conflict.

Would this bill actually prevent couples from filing for a divorce, or will it just make the process more grueling: ending with the same results, while costing much more time and money.

affect the couple involved, but also everyone around them. The bill is supposed to "make families stronger," but I think that it will do just the opposite. A divorce creates so much stress and harm on families already, so why make it even harder? Laying blame doesn't solve problems; it only exacerbates them.

making this big decision. Creating more barriers for a couple going through a divorce will most likely result in more resentment and frustration, instead of a happy ending.

Many divorces are long, complicated, and messy, and passing this bill will only make them worse. Assets need to be divided and custody of children needs to be resolved. Families shouldn't have to lay blame and take sides. They should be as painless as possible, hoping to eliminate the tension and strain.

Making it more difficult to get a divorce will also create more expenses for those involved. More lawyers will have to be hired and more court appearances will have to be made for the divorce to be finalized. This will cause more financial burdens between the couples, not resolution.

According to the "Daily Infographic," nearly 50 percent of marriages in the U.S. end in divorce.

This number shows how many couples are unhappy with their marriages. If a divorce is a very stressful thing, why create unnecessary hardship on nearly half of the county's married population?

Sadly, I do believe that the divorce rate in our country is too high. However, I do not believe it is something that can be fixed with this new proposed bill to eliminate "no-fault" divorces.

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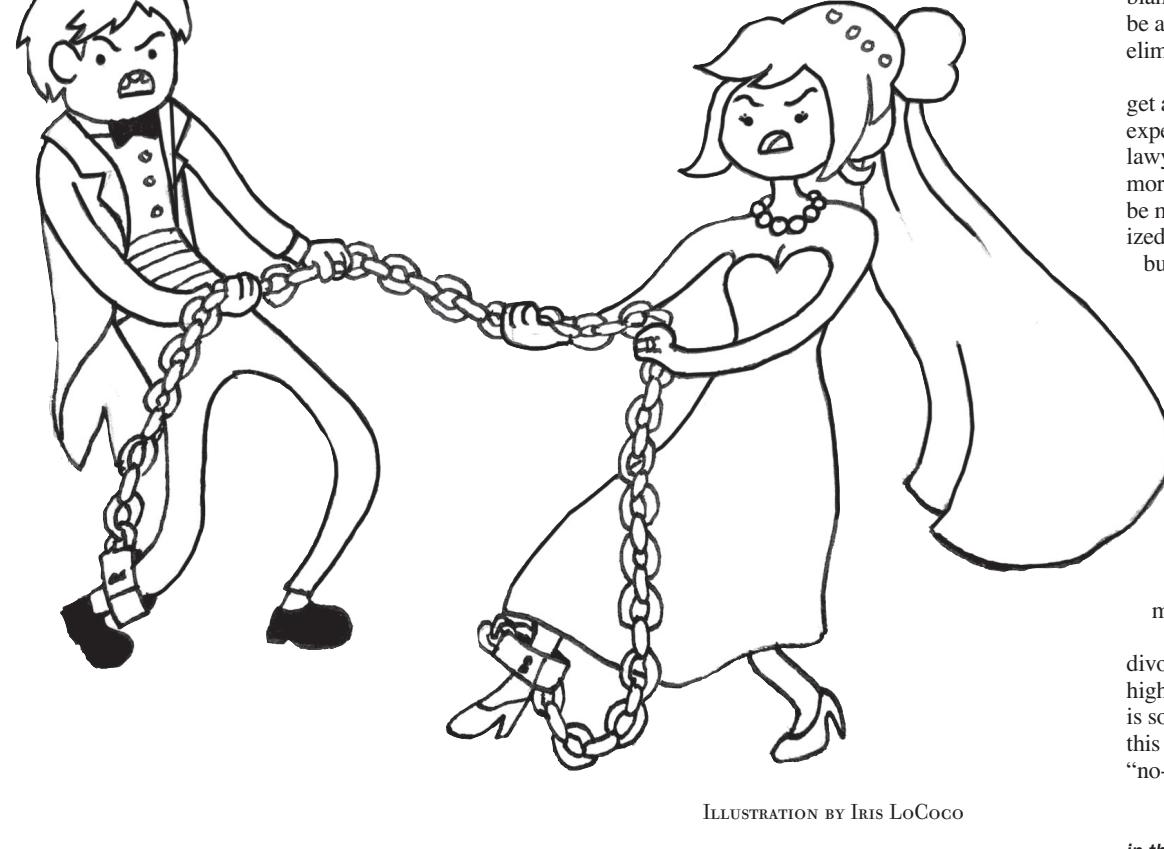


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Rep. Jim Ward, have expressed that they do not think that this bill should be passed.

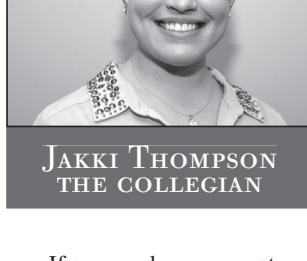
"We really should let people decide when to end relationships," Ward said in a Feb. 7 Wichita Eagle article. "He feels pointing fingers

In my opinion, passing this bill would be detrimental for the state of Kansas and lead to many other serious problems outside of just the couple's incompatibility.

Making a divorce a more complicated process does not only

Continuing "no-fault" divorce will help maintain the family's relationship and create a healthier environment, especially if there are children involved. The motive of the bill is to make more time for the couple to work things out before

## Homemade baked goods bring more benefits than simply buying premade food

JAKKI THOMPSON  
THE COLLEGIAN

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most importantly, cookies. All are always made from scratch.

When made from scratch, baked goods, and food in general, are better for people. Now, please understand I am not advocating going vegetarian, vegan or even encouraging people to eat healthier. What should be encouraged is eating at restaurants less, and cooking at home more. As people ease into making meals from scratch and not from boxes, bags or from restaurants, they will hopefully experience the benefits their homemade food

can have for them. If you don't eat bread or live gluten-free, that's cool. Chicken, both packaged in a store and bought at a restaurant, is another offender containing high amounts of sodium. According to a Huffington Post article from April 13, 4 ounces of boneless, skinless chicken breast can range from 40-300 milligrams of sodium. This is minimal compared to eating chicken from a restaurant. Three ounces of breaded chicken from a restaurant could contain anywhere from 430-900 milligrams of sodium.

While the sodium is said to be used to preserve the juiciness or taste of the chicken, it is significantly healthier to eat chicken that is cooked at home. When the chicken is made at home, without any added salt or marinade, it can contain less than a teaspoon of sodium. That's next to nothing compared to the content of restaurant chicken.

Common prepackaged foods found at grocery stores may place the value of convenience over nutrition and health effects. Premade pancake and waffle mix may be popular for those with

on-the-go lifestyles, but the nutritional value of Bisquick pancake and waffle mix lists 390 milligrams of sodium. One can alternatively make pancakes from scratch, without adding salt and without losing flavor.

Everything you eat can affect your health, and as such it is critical to look at what you're consuming: to see and analyze what is being put into our bodies. It is more than worth it to spend the extra time to make food from scratch or at home, than to buy it prepackaged at a store or from a restaurant. So

be critical of what you are consuming. Sparing the extra time to cook a meal or dessert is more than worth the health benefits it can bring to your life.

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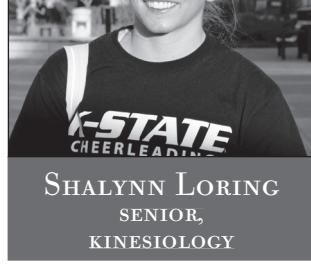
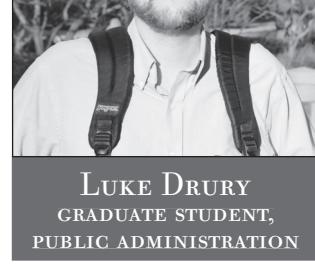
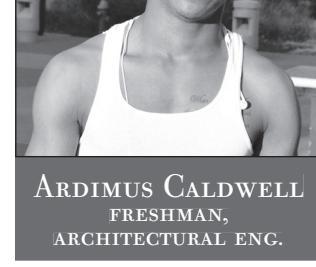
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## Street Talk

Q: "How do you feel about women's basketball head coach Deb Patterson getting fired?"

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"I actually just read the article in The Collegian and I was really, really surprised. I don't watch it that much, I've been a K-State fan since I was born, I just found it really surprising."

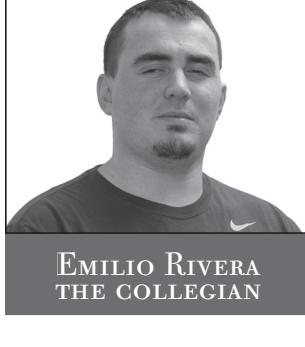
"Honestly, I didn't even know that had happened."

"I think that's BS, because she's been here for a long time ... what did you fire her for? I don't like it personally."

"I didn't know that she got fired, I don't understand why she would get fired."

"I didn't follow the women's team real closely this year. She's been there for a long time, so I think maybe if they're looking for a new level of success then maybe it was the right move."

## Patterson firing mistake for K-State, is on Currie's shoulders

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**O**n Saturday, after 18 seasons serving as the head coach of the women's basketball team, Deb Patterson was relieved of her duties at the helm of the Wildcats. This decision, made public on Sunday, came shortly after the team's 87-84 overtime loss to Kansas in the 2014 Phillips 66 Big 12 Championships in Oklahoma City.

### Patterson's Career

In her 18-year stint, Patterson became the longest tenured women's basketball coach in Wildcat history. With 350 career wins as the coach, Patterson became the winningest coach in Wildcat history in just her 10th season with the Wildcats, back in 2006-07. She led the Wildcats to nine 20-win seasons and Big 12 championships in 2003-04 and 2007-08.

Under the guidance of Patterson, the Wildcats received nine NCAA tournament berths, five more than they had before she took the reigns. To add to that, Patterson took her team to four WNIT tour-

nments, including a win in 2006. Under Patterson, the Wildcats only missed postseason play four times.

The three-time Naismith National Coach of the Year finalist and two-time Big 12 Coach of the Year made players successful in her offensive scheme. Patterson had success in molding former Wildcats Nicole Ohlde and Kendra Wecker into first team All-Americans. She also helped four other players become All-American honorable mentions. This is the aspect of Patterson's legacy: molding and helping players succeed on and off of the court, which will be the biggest thing the program will miss.

### The Decision

This decision by athletic director John Currie, who was named the 2013 Bobby Dodd Athletic Director of the Year, might go down as the biggest mistake of his four years at K-State.

According to Currie, the decision to fire Patterson was spurred by the Wildcats' performance over the past season. Their 11-19 record was the worst performance of Patterson's coaching career.

"(The athletic department) did two different contracts for Coach Patterson since I have been here and I always thought that we would be doing another at some point," Currie said at the press conference on Sunday. "I did not think that we would be in this position but as the year unfolded and I looked at where we have been over the last five years, I did not feel right about the



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K-State women's basketball head coach **Deb Patterson** directs her team during their exhibition game against Alaska-Anchorage on Nov. 1, 2013.

trajectory. I felt like it was time."

The problem with Currie's argument is that the Wildcats were clearly in a rebuilding year after losing star guard Brittany Chambers to graduation and only returning three seniors, two of which had very limited playing experience because of injuries and transfers.

Patterson and her staff made a decision to invest in the long-term success of the team this season by signing freshman guards Leticia Romero and Kindred Wesemann before the season, something that propelled the Wildcats to success this season. Patterson also fixed the

size issues they faced last season by bringing in freshmen forwards Breanna Lewis, Jessica Sheble and Erica Young, who all stand over 6 feet tall.

The program itself would have improved without a coaching change because of the experience that the young team gained throughout the season. The Wildcats would have improved just because of Patterson's investment in youth last summer.

### Ramifications

Currie's rash decision might have just ruined the momentum that

the Wildcats had built this season, and definitely put a rift into the recruiting power that the Wildcats had with Patterson at the helm.

Even worse, Currie has risked alienating the current Wildcat players who came to trust and admire their former coach, which is a risk any time a coaching change happens. Trust is an important feature in any team dynamic, and it is something that will come into play next season with the new coach.

In his announcement, Currie hinted towards the new facilities and winning past as decision factors for the move. While the Wildcats might be one of the 15 winningest programs in the country, they don't have the recruiting power of programs like Tennessee or Connecticut. Also, while the basketball training facility is a jewel for the program, it pales in comparison to having a coach with the national recognition of Patterson to help bring in talented players.

Only time will tell how this move effects the Wildcats' program. But, if the program doesn't make leaps and bounds within the next few seasons, Currie will know that the wrong decision was made.

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## Sporting KC drops season opener, prepares for all-important CCL fixture

BY TATE STEINLACE  
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"Damn, Seattle."

That's all retired goalkeeper Jimmy Nielsen had to say to the Oklahoma media following his former club's season-opening loss to the Seattle Sounders FC in stoppage time Saturday.

The game's lone goal — a 94th minute scramble scored

by substitute Chad Barrett — marked the fourth time in six matches dating back to 2011 that Sporting KC has lost to the Sounders in the dying seconds of the match. Nielsen had previously been a part of all of those disappointing finishes, but Saturday it was long-time backup Eric Kronberg in goal.

"I thought we were definitely gonna hold on to that one today, but unfortunately they got their chance and they took it," Kronberg said in the locker room following the match. "Kudos to them."

It wasn't the most attractive game to watch on Major League Soccer's opening weekend. Replacement referee Alan Kelly called 40 total fouls, 25 of which were on Sporting KC. That, mixed with the rain-soaked turf at CenturyLink Field in Seattle, made it a "rough and tough" battle that Seattle came away with.

"I actually thought we played really well, I really do," Veremes said. "I think we played really well for the first game of the season on the road at Seattle. It's a great environment, and with all the changes we made, I thought we played really, really well."

Despite the loss, there are no reasons to cast a shadow on this year's campaign just yet. As Veremes hinted at, he elected to sit regular starters midfield-

er Oriol Rosell and forward Claudio Bieler, while leaving starters defender Chance Myers, defender Seth Sinovic, and midfielder Paulo Nagamura off the the team sheet altogether.

Part of this can be attributed to injury. The players above, minus Bieler, were battling "nicks and bruises" picked up at the end of preseason, according to Veremes. However, a more significant reason is the four-day turnaround to

Wednesday's matchup against Mexican side Cruz Azul in leg one of the knockout round of the CONCACAF Champions League at Sporting Park.

Cruz Azul picked up just their first loss of the year in the Liga MX this past weekend — a 3-0 beating at the hands of Tigres UANL. Azul still maintain the top spot in their respected

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respected league with an impressive 8-1-1 record, though, and are in midseason form.

Sporting KC aren't in mid-season form, but they know the importance of the CON-

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Sporting KC and Houston Dynamo players battle for the ball as Sporting forward Dom Dwyer goes for a header during Sporting's 2-1 victory over the Houston Dynamo in the second leg of the 2013 MLS Eastern Conference Final November 23, 2013, at Sporting Park. After dropping their season opener at Seattle on a literally last-minute goal, Sporting next faces Mexican club Cruz Azul Wednesday evening in the first leg of the knockout stage of the CON-

CACAF Champions League, a yearly competition of the top clubs in North America, Central America and the Caribbean.

CACAF Champions League. Never before has an American team won the trophy. Defender and captain Matt Besler said after Saturday's match that the significance of Wednesday's clash with Cruz Azul will help them get over their unfortunate finish against the Sounders.

"One of the positives after a game like this is when you can have a quick turnaround," Besler said. "This game on Wednesday will be one of the most important games of our entire season. We knew that going in, the importance of Wednesday, and now we just have to move on and get ready."

Sporting KC and Cruz Azul are set to kickoff Wednesday at 7 p.m. The match will be televised on FOX Sports 2, and broadcasted on Sports Radio 810 WHB.

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## Local news: Kansas impacted by big beef recall, movie series announced

BY KAREN SARITA INGRAM  
THE COLLEGIAN

### Kansas impacted by massive beef recall

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has extended a massive beef recall to include retail locations in Kansas, including Salina, Hays, Goodland, Great Bend, Hays and more. The beef originated from a slaughterhouse in California that has been accused of illegally selling meat from sick animals. Last month, the USDA issued a recall for more than 8.7 million pounds of beef. The recall now affects 36 states, according to KSHB News in Kansas City, and has impacted national chains like Walmart, and popular products, like Hot Pockets, according to the Hays Post.

The recall does not include ground beef, but does include beef cheeks, lips, liver, tripe, tongue, veal cuts, and bones and trim, according to the USDA.

There have been no reports of illness from consuming the meat at this time. The investigation into the slaughterhouse is ongoing.

For more information on the recall, go to [1.usa.gov/1clFgkp](http://1.usa.gov/1clFgkp) and scroll to page 2 for the full list of retailers affected, or page 106 for the full list of Kansas lo-

cations impacted.

### Free technology movie series announced

The Department of Computing and Information Sciences has released the full list of their Computers and Technology Movie Series for this year. All films will be screened in Nichols Hall room 126, and are free and open to the public. Further information about the movies and screen times will be made available on their official Facebook page at [facebook.com/KSUCOMPTECHMOVIES/](http://facebook.com/KSUCOMPTECHMOVIES/)

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*April 10: "Sunshine"*  
*April 17: "The Core"*  
*May 1: "Pirates of Silicon Valley"*  
*May 8: "The Fifth Estate"*  
*June 5: "Jobs"*  
*June 12: "RoboCop" (Original 1987 version)*  
*July 10: "Total Recall" (Original 1990 version)*  
*July 17: "Nausicaä of the Valley of the Wind"*

### The Graduate School announces final doctoral dissertations

The final doctoral dissertation of Bridget Stegman, "A Multiple Case Study of Elementary Principals in High Poverty

Schools with Classroom Teachers Integrating New Literacies: Knowledge, Dispositions, and Actions," will be held today at 12:30 p.m. in Bluemont Hall room 106.

The final doctoral dissertation of Raghavendra Amachawadi, "Ecology of Antibiotic Resistance Determinants Among Enterococcus spp. of Cattle and Swine Diets Supplemented with Copper," will be held April 1 at 2 p.m. in the Mara Conference Center.

The final doctoral dissertation of Xiangdong Li, "The Use of Adjuvants to Increase Efficacy of PRRSV Modified Live Vaccines," will be held April 7 at 9:30 a.m. in Coles Hall room 343.

The final doctoral dissertation of Christian Alvarado-Gilis, "Dietary Factors Affecting Tissue Profiles of Long Chain Polyunsaturated Fatty Acids in Cattle," will be held April 16 at 2 p.m. in Call Hall room 140.

The final doctoral dissertation of Huubinh Le, "Essays on the Cost Effects of Airline Mergers and Alliances," will be held April 16 at 1:30 p.m. in Waters Hall room 329.

The final doctoral dissertation of Sijia Xiang, "Semiparametric Mixture Models," will be held April 18 at 9 a.m. in Durland Hall room 1063.

## The Weekly Planner

### Wednesday, March 12

**Baseball**  
*K-State vs. Nebraska-Omaha*  
6:30 p.m., Tointon Family Stadium

**Walk-in Wednesday**  
Noon to 4 p.m., Holtz Hall

### Thursday, March 13

**DCE Evening College**  
Second round of eight-week courses begins

**BMB Seminar**  
*Reconstituting the basic mechanism of neurotransmitter release*  
4 p.m., 13 Leisure Hall

**Social Media Roundtable**  
*Forum for collaboration, providing suggestions for the use of social media channels for the Kansas State University*  
11 a.m., Hemisphere Room – Hale Library

### Friday, March 14

Last day of classes before spring break

**Baseball**  
*K-State vs. Northern Colorado*  
6:30 p.m., Tointon Family Stadium

**UPC K-State After Hours**  
*Pancakes, Pie and "Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 2"*  
8 p.m., K-State Student Union Little Theater

### Saturday, March 15

Residence halls close for spring break at 10 a.m.

**Spring Break begins**

**Baseball**  
*K-State vs. Northern Colorado*  
2 p.m., Tointon Family Stadium

**36th Annual Aggierville St. Patrick's Day Parade & Road Race**  
Races begin at 10 a.m., Parade begins at 2 p.m. Aggierville

**Blarney Breakfast**  
*Fundraiser for Manhattan Arts Center*  
7:30 a.m., Kites Bar and Grill

# SHADY ACTIONS

Murky details emerge surrounding prostitution

Housing and Dining Employee comes forward with limited information about procedures

Sam Dieterich

Editor's Note: The Collegian has changed the names of students involved with this article to protect their identities.

In February, the Riley County Police Department arrested nine people for charges related to prostitution. Among the handful

of people arrested was a K-State student ne-

ver identified.

However, when the residence halls were searched with an onefloor of students at the beginning of the academic year, Housing and Dining was asked to add more student assistants to the staff.

What happened was when the overfilled residence halls were searched, students right away and they just came up with a lot of people," said Mark Mark, a Housing and Dining assistant.

Mark said: "There was one person doing interviews and they did one interview per person, and they did not do any follow-up interviews."

Soon after the start of the fall semester, Housing and Dining was able to calculate all of the overfilled residence halls without a job. However, a position opened up in Bluemont Hall and the K-State student ne-

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Bluemont Hall is the largest residence hall on campus, with 400 beds.

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